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SUBJECT: RETIREMENT OF LT.GEN. HOLLINGSWORTH

REFERENCE: SEOUL 195

1. AS YOU ARE AWARE GENERAL HOLLINGSWORTH'S RETIREMENT IS AN INTERNAL DOD ACTION WITH NO POLICY IMPLICATION. AS APPROPRIATE YOU SHOULD CONTINUE IN LOW KEY TO POINT OUT TO PRESIDENT PARK AND OTHER SENIOR ROK OFFICERS THAT THERE IS OBVIOUSLY NO POLICY CHANGE INVOLVED IN HOLLINGSWORTH'S RETIREMENT.

2. WE BELIEVE IT NOT ADVISEABLE TO SEND PARK LETTER AS SUGGESTED PARA 4 REFTEL. WE BELIEVE IT BEST TO TREAT HOLLINGSWORTH RETIREMENT AND REPLACEMENT AS A NORMAL ACTION, WHICH IT IS, ALLOWING INTEREST AND UNDERSTANDABLE

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ROK OVERREACTION TO EBB. WE DO NOT WISH TO CREATE IM-

PRESSION THAT WE MUST ENGAGE IN MAJOR REASSURANCE OPERATION ON SUCH COMMAND CHANGES OR TO LEND CREDENCE TO ROKG CONCERNS BY EXTRAORDINARY ACTIONS ON OUR PART. WE AGREE THAT EARLY NAMING OF REPLACEMENT FOR HOLLINGSWORTH IS IMPORTAHT AND WILL FOLLOW UP.

3. FYI: AS YOU ARE AWARE SHORT WAR PLAN IS STILL IN PROCESS

OF REVIEW AT CINCPAC AND JCS. PLAN HAS NOT YET BEEN APPROVED IN DEFENSE NOR HAVE OTHER INTERESTED AGENCIES, INCLUDING STATE AND NSC, BEEN BRIEFED. GIVEN GENERAL HOLLINGSWORTH'S CONTINUING PUBLIC STATEMENTS RE "NINE DAY WAR", WE RECOGNIZE SENSITIVITY OF THIS ISSUE. HOWEVER, UNTIL PLANS HAVE BEEN REVIEWED BY DEFENSE AND COMMENTS OF INTERESTED AGENCIES SECURED, WE DO NOT WISH TO GIVE IMPRESSION USG HAS ALREADY APPROVED PLAN. THIS IS NOT MEANT TO PREJUDGE PLAN, OUT TO BE SURE THAT YOU UNDERSTAND ITS PRESENT STATUS.
END FYI.

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